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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE SOUTH AFRICAN NUCLEAR TEST SITE

REF: (A) STATE 194980; (B) 195279 STATE

1. EVENTS RE POSSIBLE SOUTH AFRICAN NUCLEAR TEST SITE
MOVING RAPIDLY. IN REPLY TO UNSATISFACTORY SAG RESPONSE
TO US DEMARCHE (REF A) MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY TO
FOREIGN MINISTER BOTHA WILL BE DELIVERED TODAY IN EF-
FORT TO RESOLVE SITUATION BEFORE START OF LAGOS CON-
FERENCE OF ANTI-APARTHEID STATES ON AUGUST 22. FRENCH
AND BRITISH ALSO PLAN DEMARCHE TO SAG SHORTLY.

2. CONSISTENT WITH EARLIER APPROACH TO BONN (REF B), WE
WISH TO MAINTAIN CLOSE CONSULTATIONS WITH FRG ON THIS
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ISSUE. IN FORMULATING OUR NEXT APPROACH TO BONN, WE NEED
TO KNOW AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE ABOUT CONTACTS BETWEEN THE
UK AND FRANCE AND THE FRG. POLICY DIRECTIONS BONN MAY
BE CONTEMPLATING AND WHETHER AND WHEN FURTHER GERMAN
DEMARCHE TO SAG IS LIKELY TO TAKE PLACE.

3. PLEASE REPLY ASAP. VANCE

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